

TRUCK SALES OPPORTUNITIES

Market Overview

- Used and refurbished trucks, primarily from Japan, dominate the Philippine market.
- Roads are narrow and in disrepair.
- ➤ Total truck registration is **growing at 4%** per annum, with more than **264,000** trucks on the road in 2004.
- A recent change in the Mining Act is expected to dramatically increase investment in mining, spurring demand for high capacity trucks and related equipment.



Sub Sectors and Competition

- Major truck end users include freight forwarders, consumer products manufacturers and waste management services.
- Many sub-sectors, including national and multinational consumer products manufacturers, sub-contract product delivery through professional trucking companies.
- Preference exists for U.S. trucks due to compliance with Clean Air Act without having to retrofit.
- > Japanese trucks **compete on price**, though steering mechanism conversion from right to left is required.

Commercial Opportunities

- > Demand for trucks with capacity of 18 tons and above will grow steadily, particularly for use in the mining industries.
- Demand for after market products and services continue to grow due to poor roads and aging fleets.

